SUBJECT: Poverty Line Guidelines for Business Programs

TO: State Directors, Rural Development

ATTN: Business Programs Directors

## PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

We are issuing this Administrative Notice (AN) to notify Rural Business-Cooperative Service personnel of a change in the poverty line income figures.

## COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN replaces AN No. 4057 (4274-D), dated February 23, 2005.

## <u>IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:</u>

Effective immediately and continuing until further notice, the poverty line referred to in RD Instruction 4274-D, section 4274.344(c)(2)(i), and RD Instruction 1942-G, section 1942.305(b)(3)(ii)(B), is \$19,350 per year for all States except Alaska and Hawaii. The applicable poverty line is \$24,190 for Alaska and \$22,260 for Hawaii.

Current poverty line information was published by the Department of Health and Human Services in the Federal Register on February 18, 2005, on pages 8373-8375.

(Signed by Jackie J. Gleason)

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EXPIRATION DATE: FILING INSTRUCTIONS:
March 31, 2007 Preceding RD Instruction 4274-D

Note To File:

Lori Washington logged on to the Department of Health and Human Services, HHS Poverty Guidelines on the internet (<a href="http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/05poverty.shtml">http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/05poverty.shtml</a>) and obtained the poverty line information for 2005 which is \$19,350 (see attachment for additional information).